GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – MA&UD Department – Pedana Municipality – Allegations of irregularities in handling advances taken in Pedana Municipality – Departmental proceedings initiated against Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari, Manager (Retired), Pedana Municipality under Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Charges framed – Inquiry conducted – Penalty of "withholding 5% pension for a period of three (3) years" imposed – Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1084 **Dated: 03-10-2025**

Read the following:

1. From the Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur, Lr.Roc.No.E-469270/2018/C1-2, dated 02.10.2018.
2. G.O.Ms.No.231, MA & UD (Vig.II) Dept., dated 19.08.2019.
3. G.O.Rt.Nos.509 & 516, MA & UD (Vig.II) Dept., dated 19.08.2019.
4. Written statement of defence, dated nil of Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumar, Manager (Retd.), Pedana Municipality.
5. G.O.Rt.No.275, MA & UD (Vig.II) Dept., dated 19.06.2020.
6. G.O.Rt.No.276, MA & UD (Vig.II) Dept., dated 19.06.2020.
7. From Sri B. Nagendra Kumar, Inquiry Officer & Additional Project Director, APUWSSMIP, Vijayawada, Letter No.APUF-14023/6/2020-F and ACCT SEC-APUFIDC, dated. 08.07.2022.
8. Govt.Memo.No.1796923/Vig.II/2018/A1(E-642108), dated 31.08.2023.
9. From the C&DMA, A.P., Lr.Roc.No.E-467290/2018/C2-2, dated 05.11.2024.
10. Govt.Memo.No.1796923/Vig.II/2018/A1(E-642108), dated 30.03.2025.
11. From the C&DMA, A.P., Lr.Roc.No.E-467290/2018/C2-2, dtd. 25.06.2025.

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Based on the report of the Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration in the reference 1st read above, the Government initiated disciplinary proceedings against Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari, Manager (Retired), and others of Pedana Municipality on allegations of irregularities in handling advances taken in Pedana Municipality. Accordingly, in the references 2nd and 3rd read above, articles of charges were framed under Rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 against Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari, Manager (Retired), Pedana Municipality and communicated to the Charged Officer for submitting the written statement of defence. In the reference 4th read above, the charged officer has submitted written statement of defence, denying the charges and requesting to drop further action against her.

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2. In the reference 5th read above, the Government appointed Sri B.Nagendra Kumar, Additional Project Director, APUWSSMIP, Vijayawada, as the Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against the charged officers. In the reference 6th read above, the Government appointed the Municipal Commissioner, Pedana Municipality, as the Presenting Officer to present the case of the disciplinary authority.

3. In the references 7th read above, the Inquiry Officer submitted the inquiry report, concluding that the charges framed against Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari, Manager (Retired), Pedana Municipality, were proved.

4. After careful examination of the Inquiry Report submitted by the Inquiry Officer, the Government accepted the findings of the Inquiry Authority. Accordingly, in the reference 8th read above, a copy of the Inquiry Report was communicated to Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari, Manager (Retired), with a direction to submit her written representation within fifteen (15) days on the findings of the Inquiry Officer, as per Rule 21(2) of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

5. In the reference 9th read above, the Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., submitted the postal acknowledgment confirming that Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari received the Inquiry Report. However, no written representation was received from her within the stipulated time.

6. Considering the gravity of the charges and findings of the Inquiry Officer, the Government provisionally decided to impose a penalty of "withholding 5% pension for a period of three (3) years" on Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari, Manager (Retired), Pedana Municipality, under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980. Accordingly, in the reference 10th read above, a show cause notice was issued to the charged officer through the Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., as to why the said penalty shall not be imposed against him.

7. In the reference 11th read above, the Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., reported that the show cause notice sent to Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari at the available address in Hyderabad was returned on 24.05.2025, as there was no such person at the address. Consequently, the Government decided to conclude the disciplinary proceedings initiated against Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari, Manager (Retired), as ex parte, imposing the proposed penalty.

8. After careful consideration, the Government hereby impose the penalty of "withholding 5% pension for a period of three (3) years" against Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari, Manager (Retired), Pedana Municipality, under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

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9. The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Vaddeswaram, shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

10. The receipt of this G.O. shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

S. SURESH KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Smt. G.N.V.S. Leela Kumari, Manager (Retired), Pedana Municipality – through the Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Vaddeswaram.
The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Vaddeswaram.
Copy to:
The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, 5th Block, A.P. Secretariat.
The Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Vijayawada.
The Principal Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Vijayawada.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Plot No. 11, KJ Systems Building, Near APIIC IT Park, Mangalagiri.
The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (MA&UD).
The PS to Principal Secretary to Govt., MA&UD Department.
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SECTION OFFICER